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1. FOR FRANCE, ANSWER TO ALL THREE QUESTIONS IN REFTTEL,
PARA 1, IS A UNIFORM "NO". GOF POLICY TO DATE HAS RE-
SISTED REDUCTION OF LEAD CONTENT IN AUTOMOBILE FUELS.
PRINCIPAL REASON FOR THIS POLICY IS SUPERIOR MILEAGE
EFFICIENCY OF LEADED OVER UNLEADED GASOLINE AND ADDITION-
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AL FOREIGN EXCHANGE DRAIN THAT WOULD THUS RESULT FROM
CONVERSION TO UNLEADED FUELS.

2. INDUSTRY SOURCES TELL US THEY WOULD HAVE NO INCENTIVE
TO MAKE REFINERY INVESTMENTS NECESSARY AND OFFER UN-
LEADED FUELS UNLESS GOF REQUIRED THEM TO DO SO AS RE-
SULT OF CHANGES IN AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURING CODES.

SHOULD SUCH A SITUATION ARISE, HOWEVER, THEY BELIEVE
UNLEADED FUELS COULD BE MARKETED AT FROM 10 TO 15
PERCENT ABOVE PUMP PRICES OF HIGHLY-TAXED LEADED FUELS.
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